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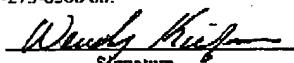
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SUMMARY OF TELEPHONIC INTERVIEW

Pursuant to MPEP § 713.04, Applicants submit this Summary setting forth a statement of the substance of the telephonic interview on April 6, 2006.

Brief Description of the Nature of any Exhibit Shown or any Demonstration Conducted:

No exhibits were shown and no demonstrations were conducted.

Identification of the Claims Discussed:

Independent claim 1 was discussed.

Identification of Specific Prior Art Discussed:

U.S. Patent No. 6,112,182 to Akers et al. ("Akers") and U.S. Patent No. 6,671,563 to Engelson et al. ("Engelson") were discussed.

Identification of the Principle Proposed Amendments of a Substantive Nature Discussed:

Applicants' representatives and the Examiner discussed potential amendments to independent claim 1 (which would be similarly applicable to independent claims 18 and 35) to clarify differences between the claimed invention and the cited references.

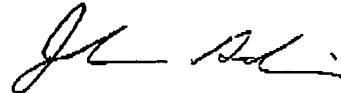
The General Thrust of the Principal Arguments of Applicant and the Examiner:

With respect to the 103(a) rejection of the claims, Applicants' representatives discussed distinctions between the claimed invention and the cited references. Generally, the claimed invention is directed to providing medication administration comments for preventing medication administration errors. In contrast, the primary reference, Akers, discusses providing supplemental health services in a pharmacy setting when medications are dispensed. In view of the differences between the claimed invention and Akers, Applicants' representatives noted that Akers cannot be modified to achieve the claimed invention. The Examiner agreed with this assessment in light of the proposed amendments but noted that he believed Engelson alone was relevant. In response, Applicants' representatives discussed differences between the Engelson reference and the claimed invention.

General Indication Of Any Other Pertinent Matters Discussed:

The Examiner kindly indicated that he would take all arguments into consideration.

Respectfully submitted,



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